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Study of parameters variation in hazard indicators

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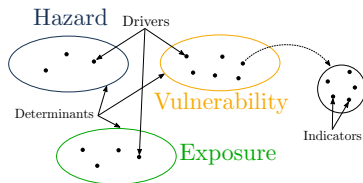
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2. Estimation of risk related to climate change, i.e. determined by potential impacts of climate change and human responses to climate change.
3. Some additional definitions are needed, e.g. determinants of risk, risk drivers.
4. If quantitative, CCRA conveys numerical values combining the chosen indicators.

The problem

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1. Many methodologies and guidelines, different indicators may lead to different risks.

The problem

- ▶ The choice of indicators is arbitrary

Case study

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1. Exposure and vulnerability are fixed.

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L-ERA5

- Organisation: European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts
- Data type: reanalysis
- Spatial resolution: $0.25^\circ \times 0.25^\circ$
- Time frequency: hour

└NEX-GDDP-CMIP6

- ▶ Organisation: NASA Earth Exchange
- ▶ Data type: statistically downscaled bias-corrected climate projections
- ▶ Spatial resolution: $0.25^{\circ} \times 0.25^{\circ}$
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- ▶ Historical period 1950-2014, projection period 2015-2100
- ▶ Model: EC-Earth3
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1. Only model EC-Earth3 is considered for the midterm discussion.

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- ▶ Evaluate risk following the guidelines

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2. A value for each determinant is evaluated, which is the aggregation of the respective indicators. The aggregation include also a normalisation step, hence the final value is in the interval $[0, 1]$ and values from different determinants can be compared to each other. Risk is the weighted mean of those values and in this project the weights are set to 1 because exposure and vulnerability are constant, hence the relation between risk and hazard is linear and no interesting information is added by considering different weights. Finally the risk values are classified in a rank of 5 classes, by splitting the interval $[0, 1]$ in 5 equally sized subintervals.

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2. Aggregate ERA5 at daily frequency

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2. Total precipitation is summed, other quantities are averaged.

Evaluation of hazard indicators

1. Define intervals of parameters

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1. Less dense for regions of slowly varying quantile function.

Next steps

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